## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

## the City Of Augusto

## **Proclamation**

IN RECOGNITION of "Buffalo Soldiers Day"

WHEREAS, The Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club of Augusta, Georgia, Incorporated was founded by Lawrence Johnson and James A. Rolle, Jr. in 2001; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club of Augusta, Georgia, Incorporated exists to continue following the tradition of the original namesake "Buffalo Soldiers" from the post Civil War era with the  $9^{th}$  and  $10^{th}$  Calvary, so nicknamed by the Indians because of their tenacity and fighting abilities; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Soldiers are comprised of current, retired or former military, and other professionals dedicated to their current vocations and to biker's lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, they do not claim any territory as their own and are active in the communities striving to spread the legacy of the Buffalo Soldiers among African Americans; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Soldiers are a part of the African American heritage, and they wear the blue and gold colors with pride; and

WHEREAS, the Buffalo Soldiers promote positive images for the young people and contribute to the betterment of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim January 17, 2004, to be "BUFFALO SOLDIERS DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge all citizens to recognize this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2004.

Mayor